



## **The Money Monitor**

*...keeping track of how Washington wants to spend your money*

**Week of October 22-26, 2001**

Five-year cost of House authorizations passed *this week*:

**\$3,392,700,000.00**

H.R. 2792	Disabled Veterans Service Dog and Health Care Improvement Act	\$3,392.0 million
H.R. 2924	To provide authority to the Federal Power Marketing Administrations to reduce vandalism and destruction of property	\$0.4 million
H.R. 1814	Metacomet-Monadnock-Sunapee-Mattabesett Trail Study Act	\$0.3 million

THIS WEEK'S TOTAL OF FIVE-YEAR COSTS      \$3,392.7 million

*Year-to-date total* of five-year costs of House authorizations:

**\$570,926,000,000.00\***

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Five-year cost of House mandatory spending passed *this week*:

**\$0.00**

*Year-to-date total* of five-year costs of House mandatory spending:

**\$75,059,800,000.00\*\***

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One-year cost of House appropriations passed *this week*:

**\$0.00**

*Year-to-date total* of one-year costs of House appropriations:

**\$392,427,800,000.00\*\***

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\*The year-to-date total for House authorizations does not reflect the cost of either: 1) H.R. 2926, the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, which passed the House on September 21<sup>st</sup>; 2) H.R. 2975, the Uniting and Strengthening America Act (the anti-terrorism bill), which passed the House on October 12<sup>th</sup>; or 3) H.R. 3004, the Financial Anti-Terrorism Act, which passed the House on October 17<sup>th</sup>. Final cost estimates for the authorizations in these bills are not yet available. When such estimates become available, the RSC will update “The Money Monitor” accordingly.

\*\*The year-to-date totals for House mandatory spending and appropriations do not reflect the cost of H.R. 2926, the Air Transportation Safety and System Stabilization Act, which passed the House on September 21<sup>st</sup>. Cost estimates for the mandatory spending and appropriations portions of this bill are not yet available. When such estimates become available, the RSC will update “The Money Monitor” accordingly.

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An authorization explicitly allows funding for a certain program and / or directs a federal agency to take a certain action. Authorizations express the House's intent to spend, however, actual funding is provided through the annual appropriations process. **Authorizations that would result in no net cost, net *decreases* in mandatory spending, private-sector costs from federal mandates, and tax cuts (or other reductions in federal revenue) are not reported here.**

Mandatory spending directly establishes an appropriation. No subsequent action is required for the money to be spent.

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